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# CONSTITUENT SERVICES

Office Hours for Sahuaro District Residents & Businesses

As part of my focus to making the City of Glendale open and accessible for residents and businesses, I would like to commit my time and designate open office November 20, 2015 - In This Issue:

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### **Thanksgiving Holiday Hours**

City of Glendale Offices Will be Closed on Thursday, November 26, and Friday, November 27 in observance of Thanksgiving, as well as the Glendale Main Library and the Glendale Adult Center. All scheduled residential garbage pick-up and recycling will be shifted one day for Thursday (11/26), and Friday (11/27). For more information about the city's sanitation services, call 623-930-2660.

Thanksgiving Day-Thursday, November 26 Thursday (11/26) to Friday (11/27) Friday (11/27) to Saturday (11/28) Sahuaro News! Page 2 of 6

hours from 8am to 5pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

To make an appointment, please call my office at **623-930-2249**.

Only Gus Bus One will run, operating on a Sunday schedule from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. For Dial-a-Ride service that day, reservations must be made by noon on Wednesday, November 25, by calling 623-930-3500. No same-day service on Wednesday will be available. Valley Metro buses will operate on a Sunday schedule.

### LOOKING FORWARD...

As I mentioned last week, I was honored to be sworn in as your new Councilmember for the Sahuaro District. I look forward to working with each of you to make our city and district an even better place to call home. It is my sincere hope to help reduce the city's debt, encourage businesses to succeed through job development and greater business attraction to the city, and above all, listen to the people. In the coming weeks, I plan to develop a "Community Advisory Group," tour the district, and meet with community and business leaders.

Having said that, please feel free to contact me at the City Council Office at 623-930-2249. Also, as a priority of mine, please consider inviting me to any upcoming HOA, neighborhood, or community meetings/events. I would welcome the opportunity to meet with your group and discuss your priorities for the City of Glendale.

Best Regards,

Ray Malnar

# CITY/DISTRICT BULLETIN News & Updates

The city of Glendale announced today that it is in the final stages of selecting Kevin Phelps as its new City Manager.

The Council is set to formally confirm Phelps' appointment during its regularly scheduled meeting next Tuesday, Nov. 24. Pending that confirmation, Phelps will begin work in Glendale on Feb. 1, 2016.

After an extensive nationwide search and rigorous interview process, Phelps was chosen from a field of six exemplary finalists. For the past six years,



Phelps has been the highest-ranking appointed official in Pierce County, Washington, an area that includes greater Tacoma and is that state's second-largest county. Phelps was previously a deputy auditor in the Washington State Auditor's Office and served for seven years as an elected councilmember for the city of Tacoma. Prior to his tenure in government, Phelps spent decades in the private sector as founder and managing general partner of the Landmark Convention Center, also in Tacoma.

Glendale Mayor Jerry Weiers said, "I've enjoyed getting to know Kevin in this process and I'm extremely excited to have him join our team as our new City Manager. His leadership with a large region like the Pierce County area, as well as his business experience at the convention center in Tacoma, is going to be a great fit for Glendale." Mayor Weiers added, "Glendale is headed in the right direction, and this is a critical leadership position at a pivotal time for our city. I have the utmost confidence in Kevin's abilities to keep the positive momentum going."

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Mr. Phelps said he is delighted by the appointment and ready to get to work. "I am incredibly excited to serve the citizens, Council and employees of Glendale. I look forward to bringing my 30-plus years of private sector experience and 18 years of government sector experience to the city," said Phelps, adding, "My wife and I absolutely love Glendale and are excited to make it our home. I am grateful for this incredible opportunity in this fantastic city."

As City Manager, Phelps will be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the city, and is tasked with implementing the policy and decisions of the City Council. He will oversee a citywide operating and capital budget of \$632 million with more than 1,700 full-time employees. Interim City Manager Dick Bowers will continue to serve in that role until Phelps assumes his new duties in February. Phelps studied journalism at Washington State University and holds a degree in Business Management from Western Governor's University.

For more information about the city of Glendale, please visit www.glendaleaz.com.

Photo caption: Kevin Phelps, newly selected City Manager for the City of Glendale, Arizona.

#### City Of Glendale Sponsors 4th Annual Resource Fair.

Glendale, Ariz. -- Glendale's Community Services Department has partnered with Maricopa Integrated Health System for the 4th Annual Glendale Family Health and Resource Fair on Saturday, Nov. 21, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Glendale Civic Center, 5750 W. Glenn Drive. Offering onsite resource assistance for Glendale residents, this event is free and open to the public.

Utility assistance for residents who qualify will be available through the city of Glendale. In addition, the Salvation Army Project Share, Southwest Gas LIRA Discount Plan, SRP Economy Price Plan Monthly Discounts, AHCCCS Enrollment, WIC, APS Energy Support Program (E-3) and others will be on hand to offer onsite enrollment and assistance. Sponsors include APS, SRP and Southwest Gas Corporation.

"It is a one-stop shop for residents from the city's low-income population to attend and get so much help in one location," said Rebecca Daniel, Glendale's Community Action Program Manager. "Last year we had about 1,300 participants. Every year this event grows with agencies and residents." People attending the fair can also take advantage of the free health screenings and other medical treatment checks. Children can enjoy face painting and a teddy bear clinic in the Kids' Corner. As a special bonus, the first 200 families to attend will receive a free turkey for the upcoming holiday. For more information, download the flyer, available in both English and Spanish. To see a full list of requirements for utility assistance, click here or call Glendale's Community Action Program office at 623-930-2854. For more information about the city's Community Action Program, visit www.glendaleaz.com/CAP.

## Glendale Announces Special Guests Kurt & Brenda Warner For Countdown To Glendale Glitters November 27.

GLENDALE, Ariz. - The city of Glendale is pleased to announce that Kurt and Brenda Warner will be the special guests that will help light up the city during the Countdown to Glendale Glitters Show on Nov. 27 at 5:30 p.m. This year, the event's theme will be 'a few of my favorite holiday things,' and following an entertaining stage show, the Warners will help the Mayor and City Council flip the switch on 1.5 million lights throughout downtown Glendale.

Kurt Warner is best known for his success on the football field as a former NFL quarterback and Super Bowl MVP. After a successful 12-year career, Warner retired from football in 2010 and is an analyst for the NFL Network. Warner is also well known for his work off the field, as a philanthropist and a man of faith. He and his wife Brenda, parents to seven children, created the First Things First Foundation in 2001, which serves as a vehicle for them to reach out to the community and share their blessings with those in need. Brenda Warner is a former US Marine, New York Times best-selling author, and passionate philanthropist. She has toured the country as a featured speaker for Women of Faith Christian Women's Conference, and shared her unbelievable story with thousands. Warner has shared her vision of a safe and loving home for people with disabilities to create Treasure House.

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Treasure House is part of Aspera, a mixed-use master planned campus located along the Loop 101 and 75th Avenue in Glendale. This unique development on 76 acres will include health care services from Banner Health, a senior housing complex and a fitness club. Treasure House, founded by the Warners, along with partners Don and Kim Cardon, is a vocational, recreational, social and educational live-in facility for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities that is expected to be completed in the spring of 2016.

The "Countdown to Glendale Glitters" begins with festive, holiday entertainment for the 30-minute show, between 5:30 and 6 p.m., featuring local performers including: 76th Street, Fiesta Mexicana Dance Company, On Stage Dance Academy and the Arizona Twirling Athletes, with a spectacular fire show to "A Marshmallow Christmas."

The complete lineup of entertainment for both days opening weekend will include:

Friday, Nov. 27:

5:30 p.m. Countdown to Glendale Glitters Stage Show

6:30 p.m. Fiesta Mexicana Dance Co.

7:15 p.m. Marilyn's Academy of Dance

8:15 p.m. Oasis Dance

9:15 p.m. On Stage Dance

Saturday, Nov. 28:

5:00 p.m. Academy of Classic Ballet

6:00 p.m. Dance Academy North

7:00 p.m. Central Community Choir

8:00 Take Five Dance Academy

9:00 Peoria Performance Dance

The glittering magic of Glendale's holiday display remains lit nightly through Jan. 9, from 5-11 p.m. each evening. Historic Downtown Glendale is located at 58th and Glendale avenues. For more information, call the Special Event Hotline at 623-930-2299 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/events.

Glendale Glitters is sponsored by APS, Valley Buick-GMC Dealers, Cerreta Candy Company, Arizona Republic, ABC15 - KNXV, KMLE, KOOL, Live 101.5, Glendale Community College, Eternal Waters and Camelback Ranch-Glendale. Free Shuttles sponsored by Blue Cross® Blue Shield® of Arizona\*

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#### Glendale Police Awarded Multiple Grants From Governor's Office of Highway Safety.

GLENDALE, Ariz. - In an effort to save more lives and reduce the number of injuries related to vehicular collisions on Arizona's roadways, the Governor's Office of Highway Safety is partnering with the Glendale Police Department and other local law enforcement agencies to increase traffic safety.

The Glendale Police Department has been awarded three grants that it will use to enforce traffic safety through the end of September 2016. In some cases there are specific enforcement periods and those will be announced via more specific press releases as they near. The grants awarded and their dollar amounts are listed below:

- Occupant Protection \$30,000
- DUI/Impaired Driving Enforcement \$60,000
- Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) \$25,000

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Coffee with a Cop Events: Join your neighbors and police officers for coffee and conversation. No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions, voice concerns and hear about crime trends in your neighborhood. For more information,



contact your Community Action Team: Officer Andy Lynes, 623-930-2554, Crime Prevention Specialist Angela Botz, 623-930-2571.

- December 2nd 6:30 pm Dillon's BBQ 20585 N. 59th Avenue
- December 10th 9:00 am Parson's 5921 W. Northern Avenue

#### Arizona Ron Leads Walking Tours Of Downtown Glendale

GLENDALE, Ariz. - Learn the story of Glendale first-hand from one of its long-time residents, "Arizona Ron." Arizona Ron will be offering "The Town of Dreams" Walking Tours in Downtown Glendale on Nov. 18, 20, 25, and Dec. 2, 4, 9, 11, 16 and 18. Each tour begins at 9:30 a.m. at the Glendale Visitor Center, 5800 W. Glenn Dr. suite 140, and costs \$15 for adults or \$5 for ages 16 and under.

Learn how Glendale transformed from the vegetable capital to the sports capital of Arizona over the past 120 years, and how it has grown from a few hundred people to 230,000-plus residents, all the while retaining its hometown charm. Arizona Ron invites everyone to "come join me for a fascinating 90-minute walk throughout Historic Downtown Glendale!"

Ron Brewster has lived in Glendale for 60 years, a former resident of the home that is currently the location of The Spicery in Our 1895 Home, now in the Catlin Court District and listed on the National Historic Register. His father, Harold Brewster, purchased the home in 1936 from its original owners, the Messinger family. Victor Messinger was one of Glendale's earliest residents, contributing to the city's first library in Murphy Park, and was the first city clerk in 1910 when Glendale was incorporated. The Brewster family owned the property until it was sold to Martha Campbell, the original owner of The Spicery, in 1985.

Visitors are encouraged to enjoy a meal in Downtown Glendale after the tour at one of the many eateries in the area. The Glendale Visitor Center provides information on all area shopping, dining and attractions. For more information, call 623-930-4500 or visit www.visitglendale.com.

#### Councilmember Ray Malnar

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